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Ozone in the Four Corners Area:

Data Gaps



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Four Corners Ozone

- What data we have
- What data we need (the gaps)
- Resources required to obtain the data we need and fill the gaps



New Mexico Environment Department Analysis Areas

- 1. Monitoring—What are the boundaries of the region with elevated ozone?
- 2. Emissions Inventory—What are the sources/facilities that may contribute to formation of ozone?
- 3. Modeling—What sources contribute significantly? What are the controls that could reduce ozone?



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What we have:

- Monitors in Bloomfield, Substation and Southern Ute for ozone, NO2 at Bloomfield
- Don't know how far to the south, east or west elevated ozone occurs



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What we don't have:

- Monitors to the east, west or south
- VOC concentrations and speciation to tell us what VOCs are prevalent (but will monitor this summer)



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- EPA funding for VOC monitoring analysis this summer
- Interest from other states/tribes in monitoring



New Mexico Environment Department Emissions Inventory

What we have:

- •Permitted and registered "point" sources: compressor stations, gas plants, power plants, tank farms, etc. All facilities with emissions greater than 10 tpy of NO2 and VOC that are in San Juan County, but not on the Jicarilla or Navajo nation lands.
- •Mobile source inventory based on county population



New Mexico Environment Department Emissions Inventory Gaps

What we don't have:

- Facilities with emissions less than 10 tpy of NO2 and VOC: wellhead compressors, small field engines, small auto body and paint shops
- Facilities in Colorado, Utah, Arizona and Indian lands (**APS 4-Corners emissions data**)
- Area sources: gas stations, dry cleaners, city sources
- Refined Mobile source inventory
- Biogenic sources
- Flash Tank Emissions
- Wildfire Emissions

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- EPA grant funds (\$50K) for inventory
- May be able to get assistance from other states/tribes on sources in other areas



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Modeling

What we have:

- •HYSPLIT model runs to look at transport (inconclusive)
- •Regional Haze modeling inputs from UC Riverside to look at transport over region
- •NMED capability to run model CMAQ
- •NMED capability to generate met data
- •Terrain data



New Mexico Environment Department Modeling Gaps

- Met data for ozone episodes
- Model input for local scale (not regional) modeling
- Model-ready emissions inventory using an emissions processing model



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- With EAC, can leverage EPA and legislature for funds
- Potential BLM funds tied to RMP EIS??
- •Geographic Initiative Funds from EPA to study regional transport (through Western Governors Association)



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